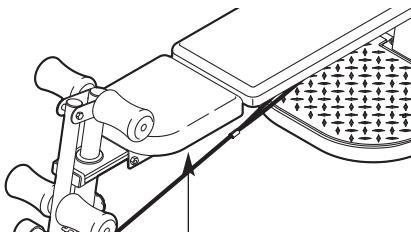


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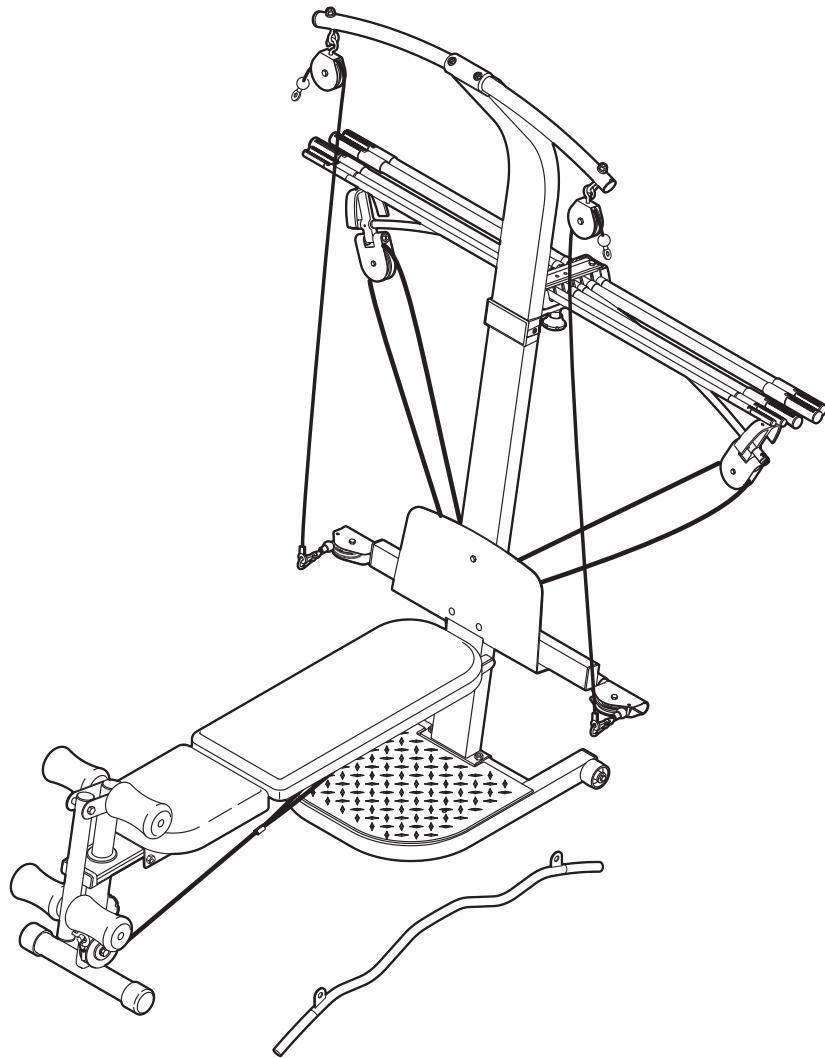
## **CAUTION**

Read all precautions and instructions in this manual before using this equipment. Save this manual for future reference.

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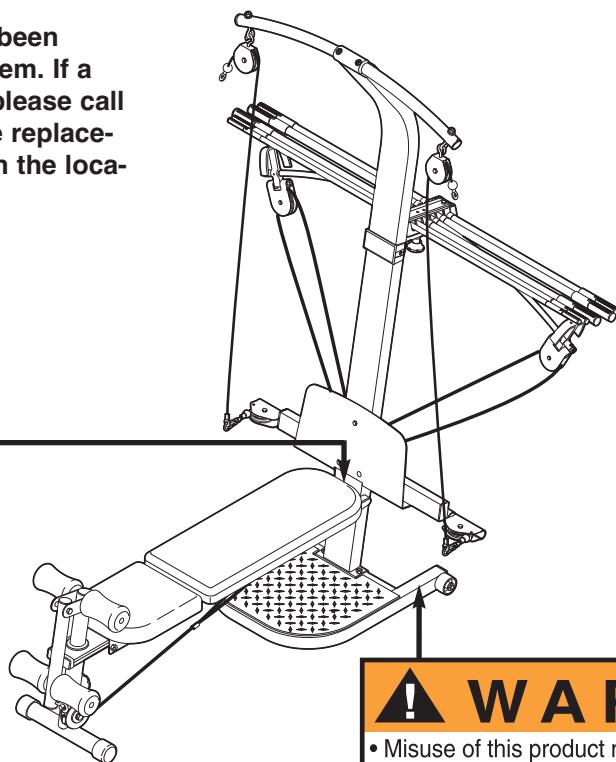
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## WARNING DECAL PLACEMENT

The decals shown here have been placed on the resistance system. If a decal is missing or illegible, please call 1-877-992-5999 to order a free replacement decal. Apply the decal in the location shown.



**! WARNING**

- Misuse of this product may result in serious injury.
- Read user's manual and follow all warnings and operating instructions prior to use.
- Do not allow children on or around machine.
- Replace label if damaged, illegible, or removed.

# IMPORTANT PRECAUTIONS

**⚠ WARNING:** To reduce the risk of serious injury, read the following important precautions before using the resistance system.

1. Read all instructions in this manual and all warnings on the resistance system before using the resistance system. Use the resistance system only as described in this manual.
2. It is the responsibility of the owner to ensure that all users of the resistance system are adequately informed of all precautions.
3. The resistance system is intended for home use only. Do not use the resistance system in any commercial, rental, or institutional setting.
4. Keep the resistance system indoors, away from moisture and dust. Place the resistance system on a level surface, with a mat beneath it to protect the floor or carpet. Make sure that there is enough clearance around the resistance system to mount, dismount, and use the resistance system.
5. Inspect and properly tighten all parts regularly. Replace any worn parts immediately.
6. Keep children under 12 and pets away from the resistance system at all times.
7. Keep hands and feet away from moving parts.
8. Always wear athletic shoes for foot protection while exercising.
9. The top frame is not designed to be used for pull-up exercises. Do not hang on the top frame.
10. The resistance system is designed to support a maximum user weight of 300 pounds.
11. Pull on the low pulley cable only while sitting on the bench or standing on the base plate. Pull on the high pulley cables only while sitting on the bench, with the seat in one of the three positions closest to the upright base, or while standing on the base plate.
12. Make sure the storage knob is in place and fully tightened each time the resistance system is used.
13. When adding resistance, both ends of the resistance bars must rest under the two "U"-channels. Add and remove resistance bars from the "U"-channels one resistance bar at a time.
14. Keep clear of the area around the "U"-channels while the resistance system is in use. Do not add or remove resistance bars from the "U"-channels while the end of the long cable is pulled out.
15. Always adjust the resistance bar assembly to the horizontal position and make sure the fulcrum knob is secure before using the resistance system.
16. Make sure the rings on the resistance bars are pushed against the tray before using the resistance system.
17. Always disconnect the lat bar from the short cables when performing an exercise that does not require it.
18. The resistance system is designed to be used with the included resistance, and the resistance included with a MAX by WEIDER MAX PACK. Do not use the resistance system with any other type of resistance.
19. Make sure that the cables remain on the pulleys at all times. If the cables bind as you are exercising, stop immediately and make sure that the cables are on the pulleys. Replace all cables at least every two years.
20. If you feel pain or dizziness while exercising, stop immediately and begin cooling down.

**⚠ WARNING:** Before beginning this or any exercise program, consult your physician. This is especially important for persons over the age of 35 or persons with pre-existing health problems. Read all instructions before using. ICON assumes no responsibility for personal injury or property damage sustained by or through the use of this product.

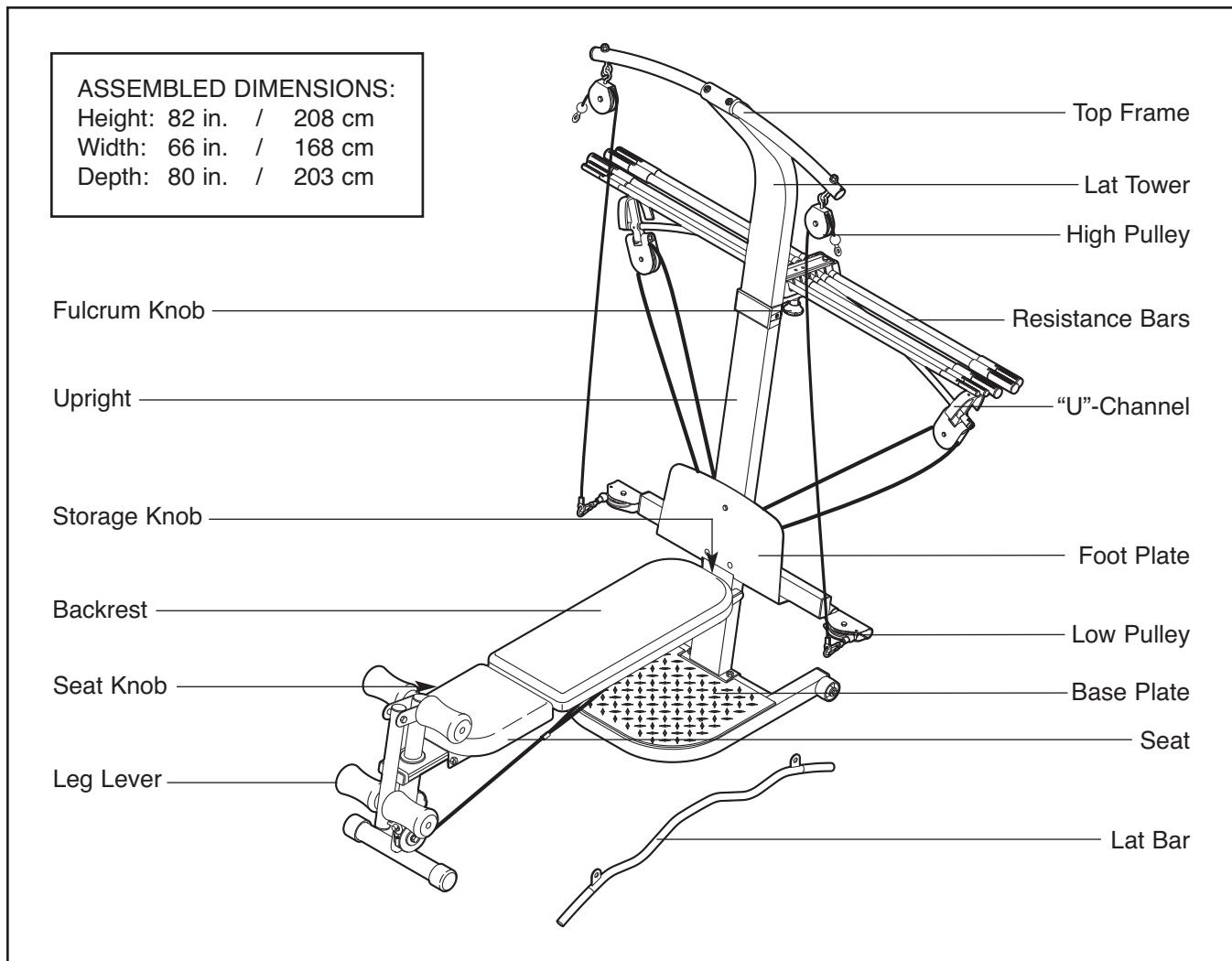
# BEFORE YOU BEGIN

Thank you for selecting the innovative MAX by WEIDER™ ADVANTAGE resistance system. The resistance system offers a selection of stations designed to develop every major muscle group of the body. Whether your goal is to tone your body, build dramatic muscle size and strength, or improve your cardiovascular system, the resistance system will help you to achieve the specific results you want.

**For your benefit, read this manual carefully before using the resistance system.** If you have questions after reading this manual, please call our Customer

Service Department toll-free at 1-877-992-5999, Monday through Friday, 6 a.m. until 6 p.m. Mountain Time (excluding holidays). To help us assist you, please note the product model number and serial number before calling. The model number is 15396.2. The serial number can be found on a decal attached to the resistance system (see the front cover of this manual for the location of the decal).

Before reading further, please review the drawing below and familiarize yourself with the parts that are labeled.



# ASSEMBLY

## Make Things Easier for Yourself

This manual is designed to ensure that the resistance system can be assembled successfully by most people. However, it is important to realize that the versatile resistance system has many parts and that the assembly process will take time. Most people find that by setting aside plenty of time, assembly will go smoothly.

## Before beginning assembly, carefully read the following information and instructions:

- Assembly requires two persons.
- Place all parts in a cleared area and remove the packing materials. Do not dispose of the packing materials until assembly is completed.
- **For help identifying small parts, use the PART IDENTIFICATION CHART.** Note: Some small parts may have been pre-attached for shipping. If a part is not in the parts bag, check to see if it has been pre-attached.

- Tighten all parts as you assemble them, unless instructed to do otherwise.
- As you assemble the resistance system, make sure all parts are oriented as shown in the drawings.

The included Allen wrenches and the following tools (not included) are required for assembly:

- Two adjustable wrenches
- One rubber mallet
- One standard screwdriver
- One Phillips screwdriver
- Lubricant, such as grease or petroleum jelly, and soapy water.



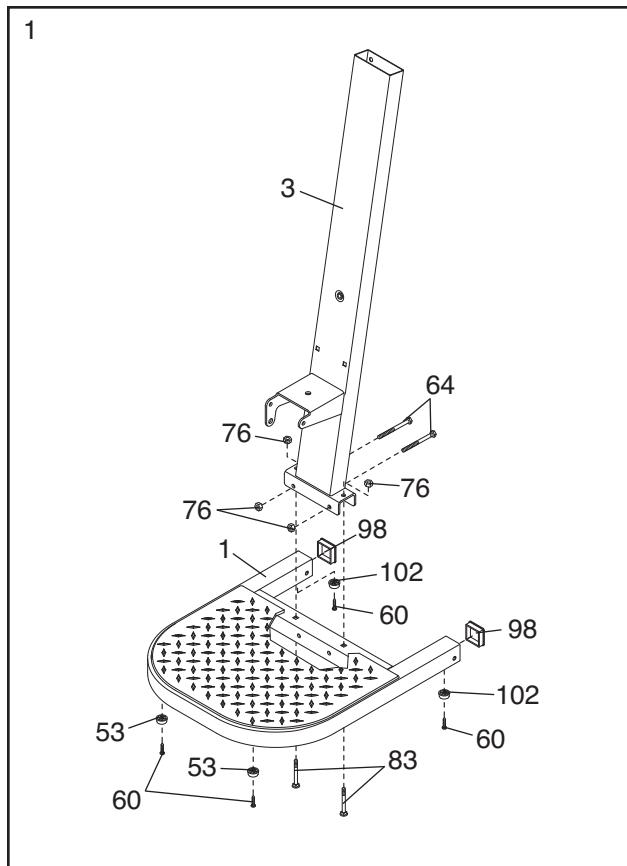
Assembly will be more convenient if you have a socket set, a set of open-end or closed-end wrenches, or a set of ratchet wrenches.

1. Before beginning assembly, make sure that you have read and understand the information in the box above.

Press two 2" Square Inner Caps (98) into the Base (1).

Attach two Plastic Feet (53) and two Large Plastic Feet (102) to the Base (1) with four #8 x 3/4" Tec Screws (60).

Attach the Upright (3) to the Base (1) with two 3/8" x 2 3/4" Carriage Bolts (83), two 3/8" x 2 3/4" Bolts (64), and four 3/8" Nylon Locknuts (76) as shown. **Note: This step will be easier to complete if the Upright and Base are tipped on their sides.**



2. Attach a Wheel (31) to the outside of the Base (1) with a 3/8" x 4 1/4" Bolt (81), three 3/8" Washers (75), and a 3/8" Nylon Locknut (76). **Do not overtighten the Locknut; the Wheel must be able to turn easily.**

Attach the other Wheel (not shown) in the same manner.

3. Press a 1 1/2" x 2 1/2" Inner Cap (41) into each end of the Cross Tube (11).

Orient the Cross Tube (11) as shown, with the welded tubes at the bottom. Attach the Foot Plate (23) and the Cross Tube to the Upright (3) with two 3/8" x 5 1/2" Carriage Bolts (73), two 3/8" Washers (75), and two 3/8" Nuts (47). **Do not insert a bolt into the top hole in the Foot Plate yet.**

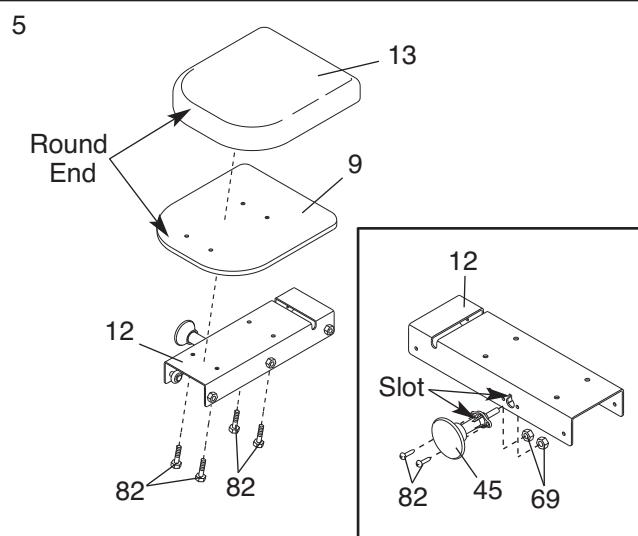
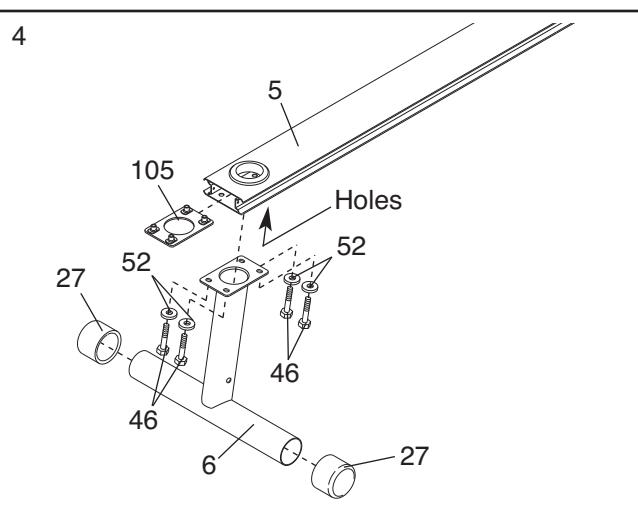
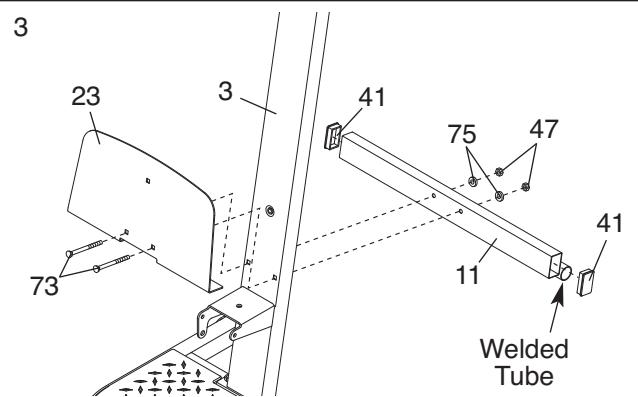
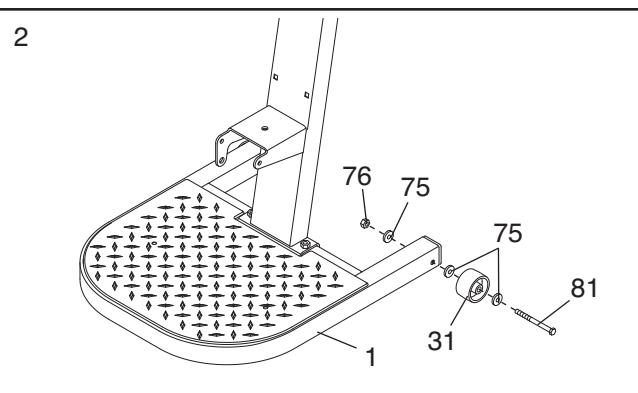
4. Press two 2 1/4" Round Outer Caps (27) onto the ends of the Front Leg (6).

Orient the Bench Rail (5) as shown. Slide the Rail Bracket (105) into the indicated end of the Bench Rail, and align the holes in the Bracket with the holes in the Bench Rail.

Orient the Front Leg (6) as shown. Attach the Front Leg to the Bench Rail (5) with the Rail Bracket (105), four 5/16" x 1" Button Screws (46), and four 5/16" Split Washers (52).

5. **See the inset drawing.** Snap the Seat Knob (45) into the Seat Carriage (12) and attach it with two M6 x 16mm Screws (82) and two M6 Black Nylon Locknuts (69). **Make sure the slot in the Knob is aligned with the slot in the Seat Carriage.**

Orient the Seat (13) and the Seat Backing (9) as shown. Attach the Seat and the Seat Backing to the Seat Carriage (12) with four M6 x 16mm Screws (82).



- Pull the Seat Knob (45, not shown) out as far as it will go, and slide the Seat Carriage (12) onto the Bench Rail (5). Engage the Seat Knob into the third hole from the end of the Bench Rail.

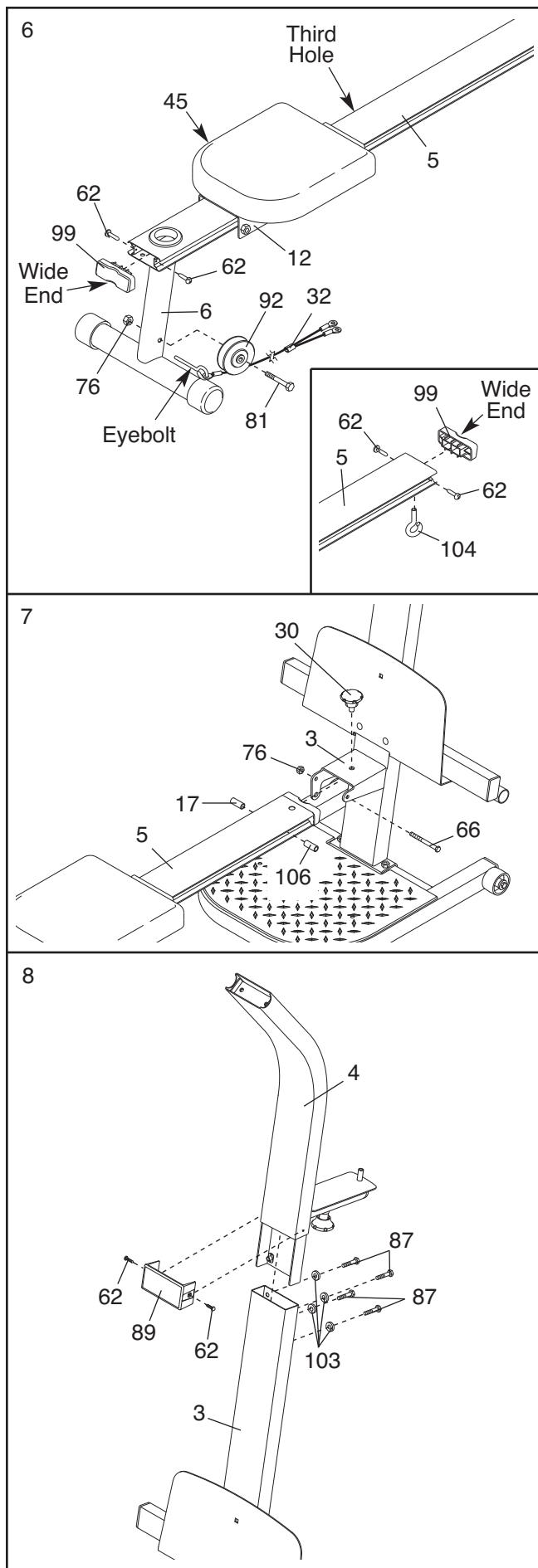
**See the inset drawing.** Thread the Hook (104) into the bottom of the Bench Rail (5). **Do not overtighten the Hook, or the Bench Rail will be difficult to assemble in step 7.**

Press the two Rail Inner Caps (99), with the wide ends on the top or bottom (as indicated), into the ends of the Bench Rail (5). Attach the Caps with four #8 x 3/4" Screws (62).

Locate the Leg Lever Cable (32), which has three ends connected in the middle with a bracket. Route the end of the Cable with the eyebolt under a "V"-pulley (92). Attach the "V"-pulley to the Front Leg (6) with a 3/8" x 4 1/4" Bolt (81) and a 3/8" Nylon Locknut (76). **Slide the other two ends of the Cable onto the Hook (104).**

- Attach the Bench Rail (5) to the Upright (3) with a 3/8" x 5 1/2" Bolt (66), a 3/4" Spacer (17), a 7/8" Spacer (106), and a 3/8" Nylon Locknut (76). Fully tighten the Storage Knob (30) into the Upright and the Bench Rail.
- Attach the Lat Tower (4) to the Upright (3) with four 3/8" x 1" Button Screws (87) and four 3/8" Split Washers (103).

Attach the Name Plate (89) to the Lat Tower (4) with two #8 x 3/4" Screws (62).



9. Press two 1 1/2" Round Inner Caps (38) into the ends of the Top Frame (10).

Attach two Eyebolts (34) to the Top Frame (10) with two 5/16" Washers (59) and two 5/16" Nylon Locknuts (65). **Do not overtighten the Locknuts; the Eyebolts must be able to rotate freely.**

Attach the Top Frame (10) to the Lat Tower (4) with two 3/8" x 3" Button Screws (70), two 3/8" Washers (75), and the Top Frame Cover (93). **Make sure that the Eyebolts (34) are oriented as shown in the inset drawing. If they are not, turn the Top Frame around and reattach it.**

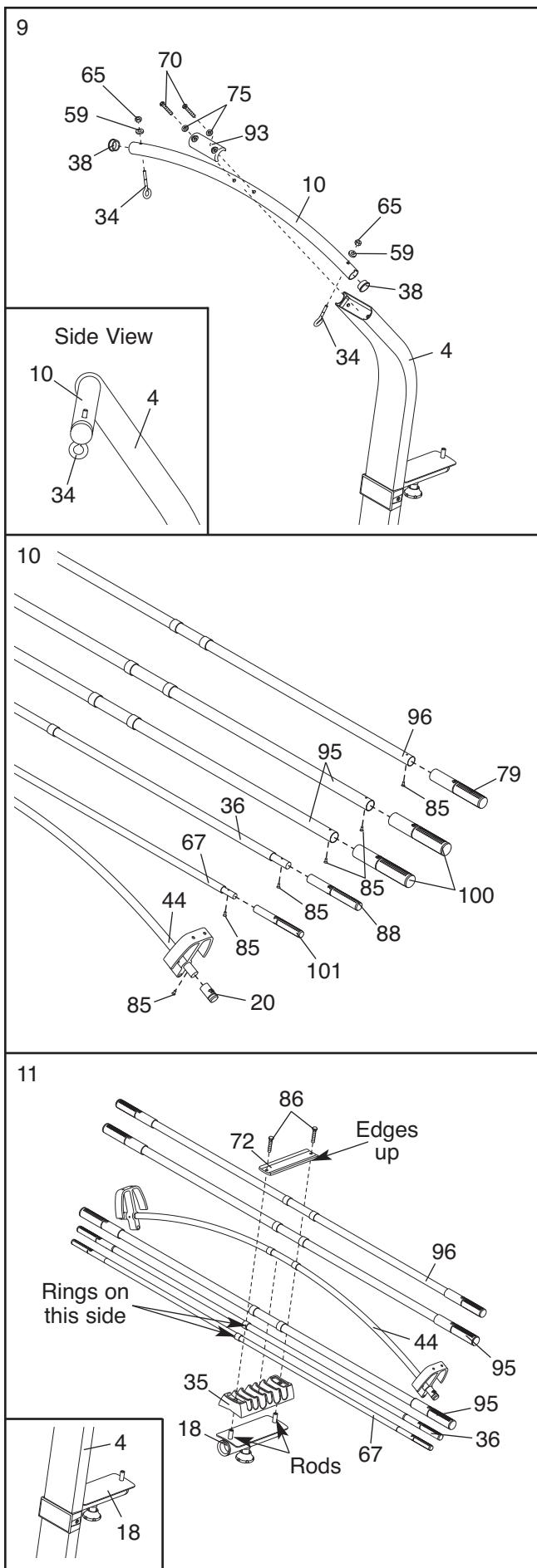
10. Attach the two 10-pound Short Caps (20) to the 10-pound Center Resistance Bar (44) with two M4 x 12mm Flat Head Screws (85).

Using ten M4 x 12mm Flat Head Screws (85), attach the two 10-pound Caps (101) to the 10-pound Removable Resistance Bar (67), the two 20-pound Caps (88) to the 20-pound Removable Resistance Bar (36), the four 80-pound Caps (100) to the two 80-pound Resistance Bars (95), and the two 40-pound Caps (79) to the 40-pound Resistance Bar (96).

11. Locate the Fulcrum (18) on the Lat Tower (4) (see the inset drawing). Slide the Tray (35) onto the rods on the Fulcrum. **Make sure the Tray is oriented as shown in the drawing.**

Set the resistance bars into the Tray (35) in the following order: the 10-pound Removable Resistance Bar (67), the 20-pound Removable Resistance Bar (36), an 80-pound Resistance Bar (95), the 10-pound Center Resistance Bar (44), an 80-pound Resistance Bar (95), and the 40-pound Resistance Bar (96). **Make sure the indicated rings are on the side shown and the arrows point toward the Tray.**

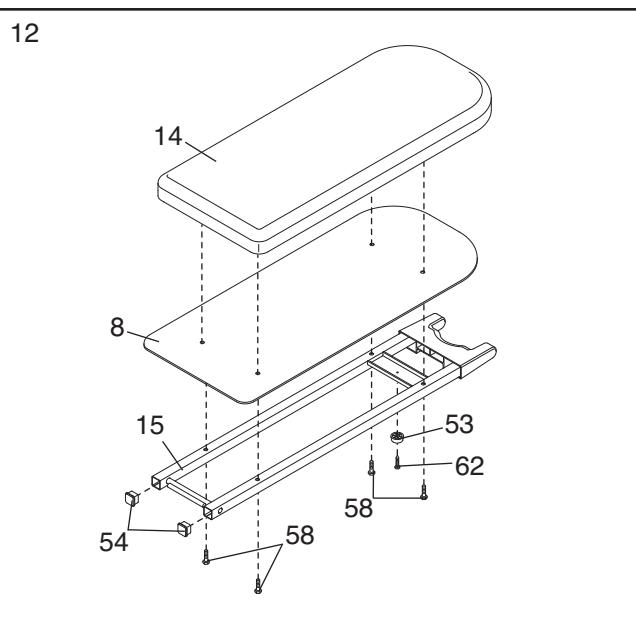
Attach the Cover Plate (72), with the edges up, to the Tray (35) with two 5/16" x 3/4" Button Screws (86).



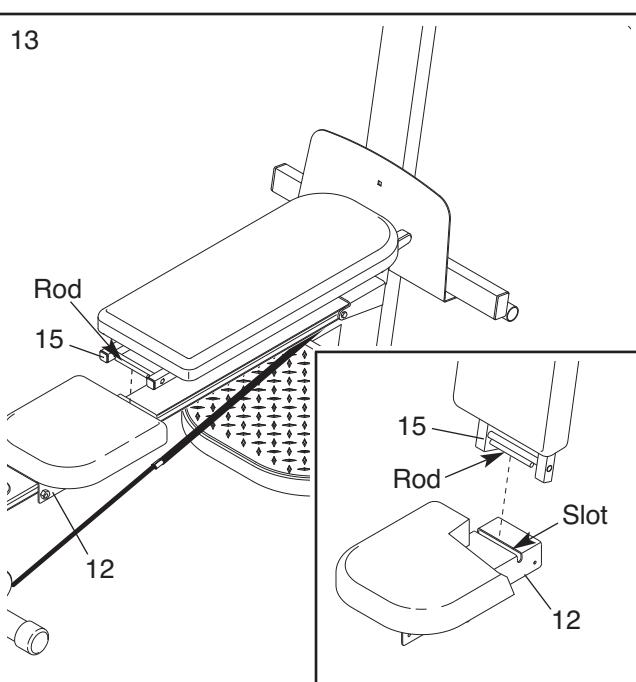
12. Press two 1" Square Inner Caps (54) into the indicated end of the Backrest Frame (15).

Attach a Plastic Foot (53) to the Backrest Frame (15) with a #8 x 3/4" Screw (62).

Orient the Backrest (14) and the Backrest Backing (8) as shown. Attach the Backrest and the Backrest Backing to the Backrest Frame (15) with four M6 x 45mm Screws (58).



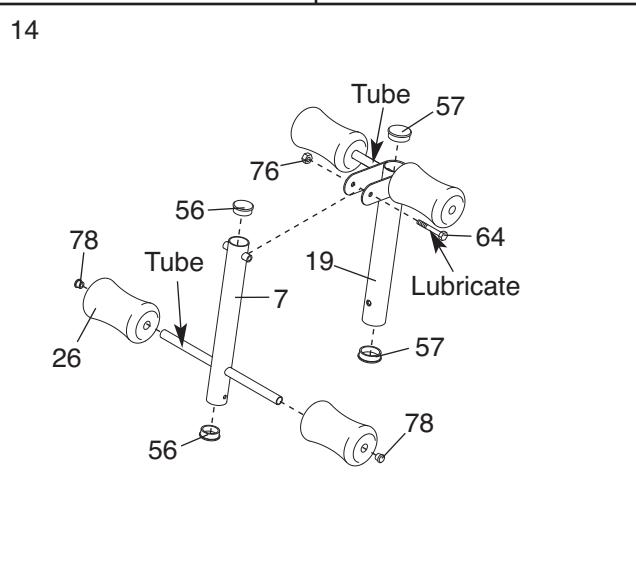
13. Insert the rod on the Backrest Frame (15) into the slot in the Seat Carriage (12). **Hold the Backrest Frame vertically over the Seat Carriage and slide the rod into the slot, as shown in the inset drawing.**



14. Press two 2" Round Inner Caps (57) into the top and bottom of the Leg Developer (19). Press two 1 3/4" Round Inner Caps (56) into the top and bottom of the Leg Lever (7).

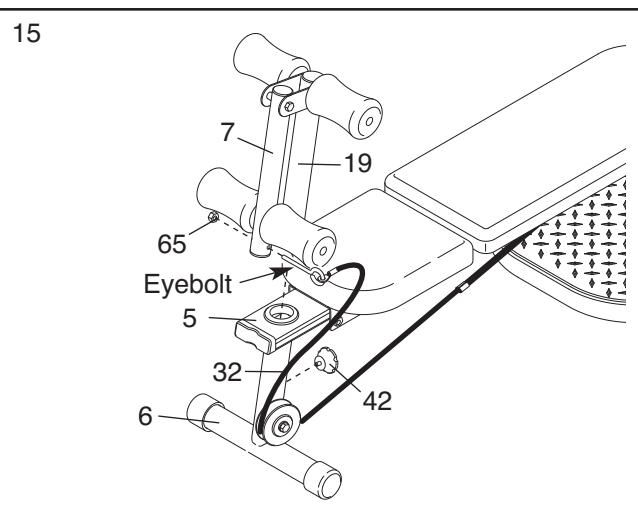
Lubricate a 3/8" x 2 3/4" Bolt (64) with grease. Attach the Leg Lever (7) to the Leg Developer (19) with the Bolt and a 3/8" Nylon Locknut (76). **Do not overtighten the Locknut; the Leg Lever must be able to pivot easily.**

Slide two Foam Pads (26) onto the tubes on the Leg Lever (7). Press two 1 1/4" Round Inner Caps (78) into the tubes. **Repeat with the tube on the Leg Developer (19).**



15. Slide the Leg Developer (19) into the Bench Rail (5). Align the hole in the Leg Developer with a hole in the Front Leg (6). Tighten the Bench Knob (42) into the hole in the Leg Developer.

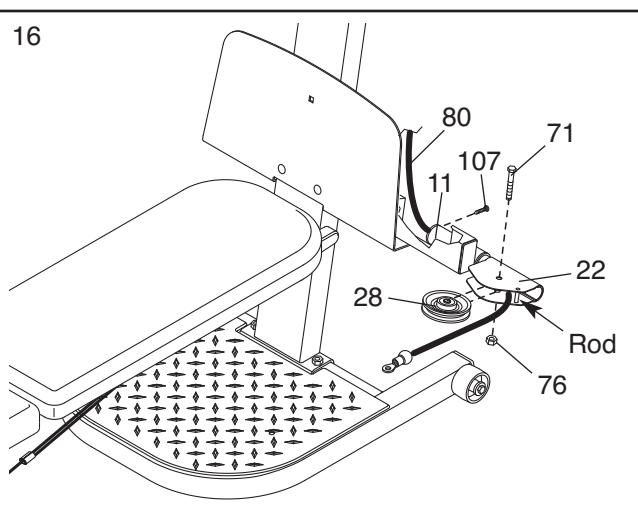
Connect the eyebolt on the Leg Lever Cable (32) to the indicated side of the Leg Lever (7) with a 5/16" Nylon Locknut (65).



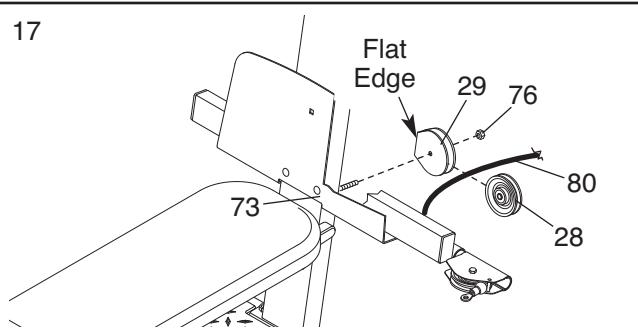
16. **Locate the Long Cable (80).** Insert one end of the Cable through the welded tube on the indicated end of the Cross Tube (11) and then through a Swivel Arm (22). If necessary, use the tip of a screwdriver to pull the end of the Cable out of the Swivel Arm. **Make sure the Cable is on the indicated side of the welded rod in the Swivel Arm.**

Insert the Swivel Arm (22) into the welded tube on the Cross Tube (11). Secure the Swivel Arm with a #8 x 3/8" Screw (107).

Wrap the Long Cable (80) around a 90mm Pulley (28). Attach the Pulley inside of the Swivel Arm (22) with a 3/8" x 1 1/2" Button Bolt (71) and a 3/8" Nylon Locknut (76).

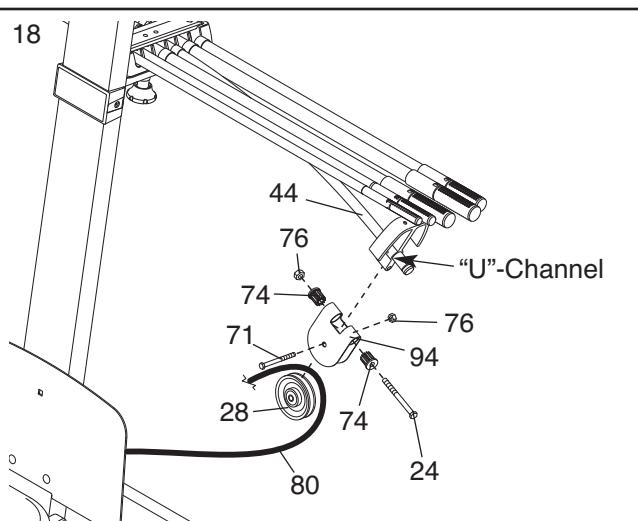


17. Wrap the Long Cable (80) around a 90mm Pulley (28). Attach the Pulley and a Pulley Guard (29) to the indicated 3/8" x 5 1/2" Carriage Bolt (73) with a 3/8" Nylon Locknut (76). **Make sure the flat edge of the Pulley Guard is on the side shown.**

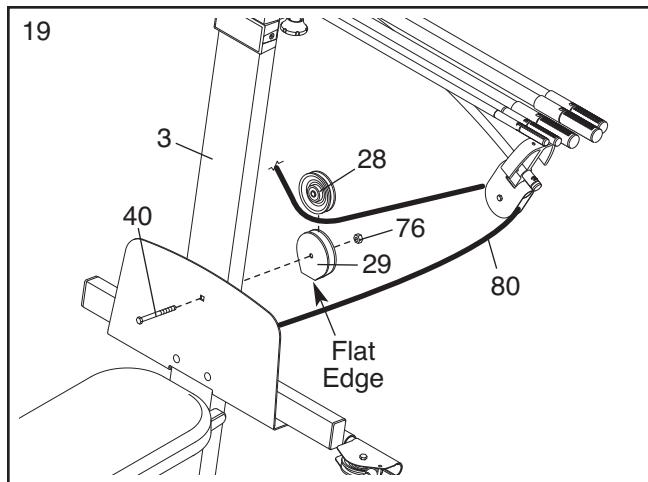


18. Attach a Pulley Housing (94) to the indicated "U"-channel on the 10-pound Center Resistance Bar (44) with a 3/8" x 4" Button Bolt (24), two Pivot Bushings (74), and a 3/8" Nylon Locknut (76).

Wrap the Long Cable (80) around a 90mm Pulley (28). Attach the Pulley inside of the Pulley Housing (94) with a 3/8" x 1 1/2" Button Bolt (71) and a 3/8" Nylon Locknut (76).

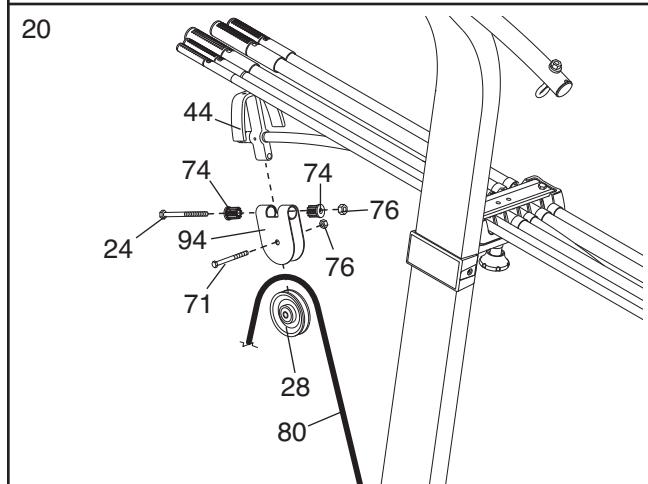


19. Wrap the Long Cable (80) under a 90mm Pulley (28) as shown. Attach the Pulley and a Pulley Guard (29) to the Upright (3) with a 3/8" x 4 1/2" Button Bolt (40) and a 3/8" Nylon Locknut (76). **Make sure the flat edge of the Pulley Guard is on the bottom.**

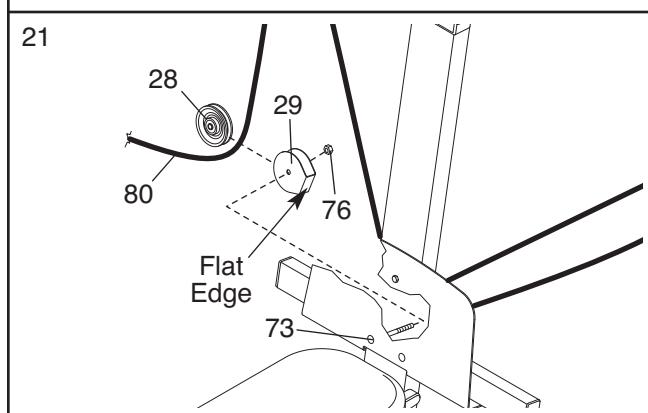


20. Attach a Pulley Housing (94) to the indicated "U"-channel on the 10-pound Center Resistance Bar (44) with a 3/8" x 4" Button Bolt (24), two Pivot Bushings (74), and a 3/8" Nylon Locknut (76).

Wrap the Long Cable (80) around a 90mm Pulley (28). Attach the Pulley inside of the Pulley Housing (94) with a 3/8" x 1 1/2" Button Bolt (71) and a 3/8 Nylon Locknut (76).



21. Wrap the Long Cable (80) around a 90mm Pulley (28). Attach the Pulley and a Pulley Guard (29) to the indicated 3/8" x 5 1/2" Carriage Bolt (73) with a 3/8" Nylon Locknut (76). **Make sure the flat edge of the Pulley Guard is on the side shown.**

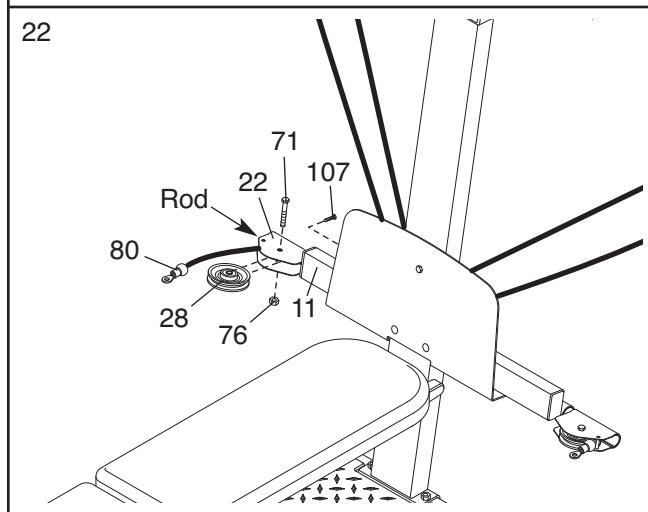


22. Make sure there are no resistance bars under the "U"-channels on the 10-pound Center Resistance Bar (not shown). Have a second person pull on the Long Cable (80) to create slack in the Cable.

Insert the end of the Long Cable (80) through the welded tube on the indicated end of the Cross Tube (11) and then through the remaining Swivel Arm (22). **Make sure the Cable is on the indicated side of the welded rod in the Swivel Arm.**

Insert the Swivel Arm (22) into the welded tube on the Cross Tube (11). Secure the Swivel Arm with a #8 x 3/8" Screw (107).

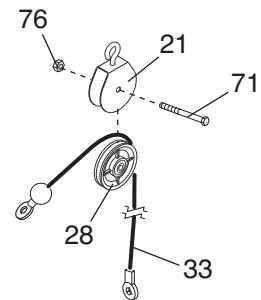
Wrap the Long Cable (80) around a 90mm Pulley (28). Attach the Pulley inside of the Swivel Arm (22) with a 3/8" x 1 1/2" Button Bolt (71) and a 3/8" Nylon Locknut (76).



23. **Locate the two Short Cables (33).** Wrap one of the Cables around a 90mm Pulley (28). Attach the Pulley to a High Pulley Housing (21) with a 3/8" x 1 1/2" Button Bolt (71) and a 3/8" Nylon Locknut (76).

**Repeat this step with the other Short Cable (33).**

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24. Make sure that all parts have been properly tightened. The use of the remaining parts will be explained in **ADJUSTMENTS**, beginning on the following page.

Before using the resistance system, pull the long cable a few times to be sure that it moves smoothly over the pulleys. If the cable does not move smoothly, find and correct the problem. **IMPORTANT: If the cables are not properly installed, they may be damaged when heavy resistance is used. See the CABLE DIAGRAM on page 16 for proper cable routing.**

# ADJUSTMENTS

This section explains how to adjust the resistance system. See the EXERCISE GUIDELINES on page 17 for important information about how to get the most benefit from your exercise program. Also, refer to the accompanying exercise guide to see the correct form for each exercise.

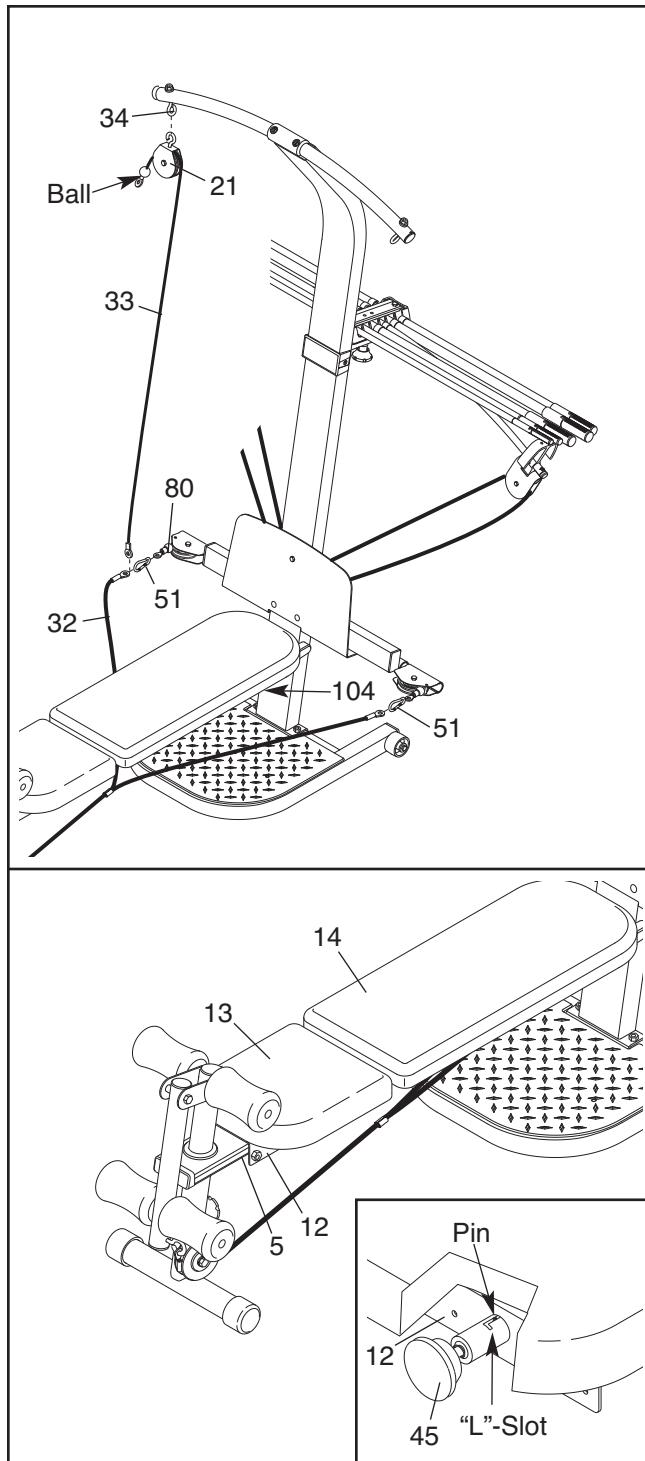
Make sure all parts are properly tightened each time the resistance system is used. Replace worn parts immediately. The resistance system can be cleaned with a damp cloth and a mild, non-abrasive detergent. Do not use solvents. The resistance bars can be cleaned with a vinyl and rubber protectant, available at an automotive or department store.

## ATTACHING THE HIGH PULLEYS AND LEG LEVER

To use a high pulley, slide the hook on the High Pulley Housing (21) onto an Eyebolt (34). Attach the end of the Short Cable (33) without the ball to the end of the Long Cable (80) with a Cable Clip (51). **Attach the other high pulley in the same manner.**

To use the Leg Lever (not shown), attach the two ends of the Leg Lever Cable (32) to the ends of the Long Cable (80) with two Cable Clips (51).

Remove the high pulleys, and detach the Leg Lever Cable (32), when not in use. Store the ends of the Leg Lever Cable on the Hook (104) under the Bench Rail (not shown).



## ADJUSTING THE SEAT

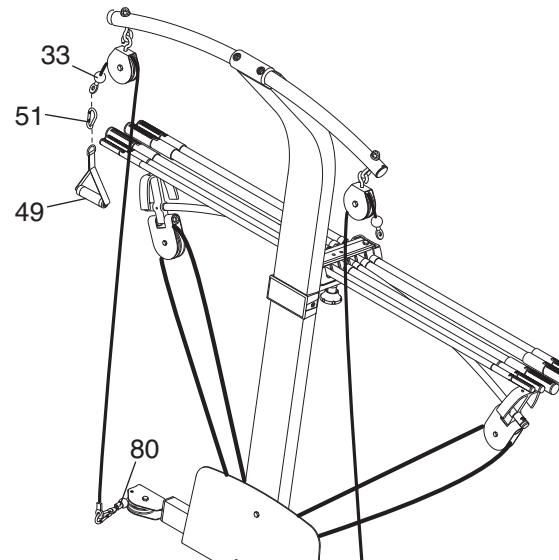
The Seat (13) can be secured in any of five positions on the Bench Rail (5). To move the Seat, pull the Seat Knob (45) out as far as it will go, and slide the Seat to the desired position. Engage the Seat Knob into an adjustment hole in the Bench Rail.

To perform row exercises, the leg press strap must be attached to the long cable (see ATTACHING THE ACCESSORIES, on page 14), and the Seat Carriage (12) must be able to roll along the Bench Rail (5). First, remove the Backrest (14) from the Seat Carriage (see ADJUSTING THE BACKREST on page 15). Then, pull the Seat Knob (45) out as far as it will go, and turn the Knob so that the pin rests at the end of the "L"-shaped slot (see the inset drawing).

## ATTACHING THE ACCESSORIES

To attach a Short Handle (49) to a high pulley, first attach the high pulley to the resistance system (see ATTACHING THE HIGH PULLEYS AND LEG LEVER on page 13). Then, attach the Short Handle to the Short Cable (33) with a Cable Clip (51).

The Long Handles (not shown) and the Ankle Strap (not shown) can be attached to the Long Cable (80) with Cable Clips (51). Attach the Leg Press Strap (not shown) to both ends of the Long Cable, or the Lat Bar (not shown) to the Short Cables (33), with two Cable Clips.

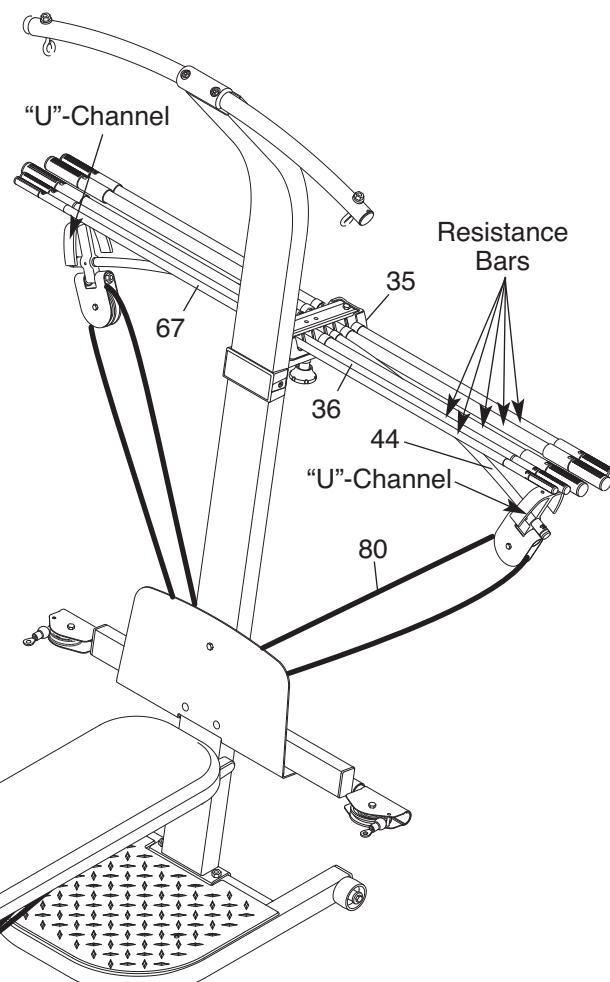


## ADJUSTING THE RESISTANCE

To add resistance, hold a "U"-channel on the 10-pound Center Resistance Bar (44) firmly and push the end of a resistance bar under it. Repeat with the other end of the resistance bar. If more resistance is needed, add one resistance bar at a time.

Note: When adding resistance, always start with the heaviest resistance bar to be used, and finish with the lightest resistance bar. When removing resistance bars from the "U"-channels, start with the lightest resistance bar and finish with the heaviest.

**WARNING:** When adding resistance, make sure that both ends of the resistance bar rest under the two "U"-channels. The rings on the Removable Resistance Bars (36, 67) must be pushed against the Tray (35). Do not add or remove resistance bars from the "U"-channels while an end of the Long Cable (80) is pulled out.



Note: The resistance system uses progressive resistance. As the resistance bars begin to bend, the amount of resistance will increase gradually. As the resistance bars bend further, the resistance will increase rapidly.

Additional resistance can be added to the resistance system. To purchase more resistance, please call the toll-free number on the front cover of this manual and ask for model number **WEMC0642** (100-Pound MAX PACK) or **WEMC0942** (200-Pound MAX PACK).

## ADJUSTING THE BACKREST

The Backrest (14) can be used in a level position or one of three inclined positions. To use the Backrest in a level position, secure the Seat Carriage (12) at the hole in the Bench Rail (5) closest to the Leg Developer (19) (see ADJUSTING THE SEAT on page 13).

To use the Backrest (14) in an inclined position, secure the Seat Frame (12) at one of the three adjustment holes on the Upright (3) side of the Bench Rail (5). Rest the Backrest against the Upright (3).

For row exercises and for using the Leg Lever (7), remove the Backrest (14) from the Seat Carriage (12). Hold the Backrest vertically over the Seat (13) and lift the rod out of the slot in the Seat Carriage (see the inset drawing). To use the Leg Lever (7), secure the Seat Carriage (12) at the second hole from the Leg Developer.

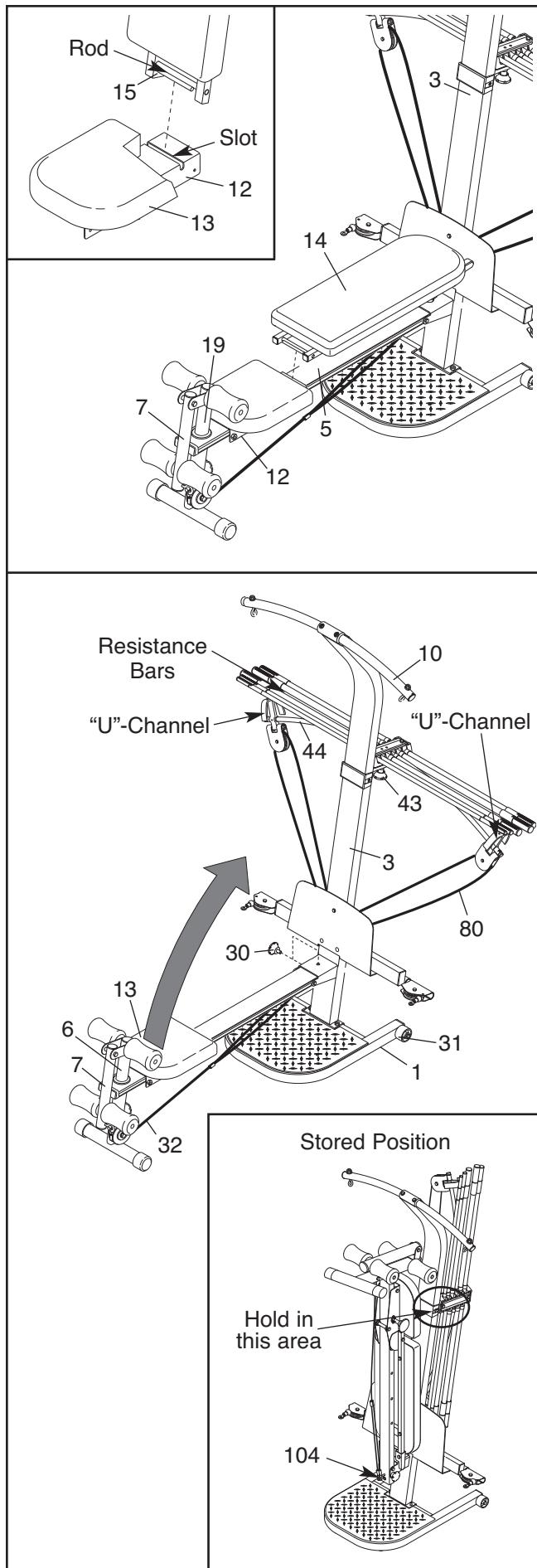
## STORING THE RESISTANCE SYSTEM

To store the resistance system, slide the ends of the Leg Lever Cable (32) onto the Hook (104). Make sure the Seat (13) is in the position closest to the Front Leg (6) (see ADJUSTING THE SEAT on page 13). Next, remove the Storage Knob (30) from the Upright (3). Lift the Front Leg toward the Top Frame (10), and tighten the Storage Knob into the side of the Upright and the Bench Rail. Remove all of the resistance bars from the "U"-channels on the 10-pound Center Resistance Bar (44) (see ADJUSTING THE RESISTANCE on page 14). Finally, loosen the Fulcrum Knob (43) and pull it out as far as it will go. Turn the resistance bar assembly vertically and engage the Fulcrum Knob into the fulcrum on the Lat Tower (4). **Note: Storing the resistance bars vertically will prolong the life of the resistance bars.**

To move the resistance system, place the toe of your shoe on the end of the Base (1) and hold the resistance system in the indicated area. Tilt the resistance system back onto the Wheels (31) and roll it to the new location. **Be careful not to let the Front Leg (6) or Leg Lever (7) pinch your hands when you tilt the system back.**

**WARNING:** Make sure that all of the resistance bars are removed from the "U"-channels before moving the resistance bar assembly to the stored position.

Make sure that the resistance bar assembly is in the horizontal position and that the Storage Knob (30) is in place and fully tightened each time the resistance system is used.

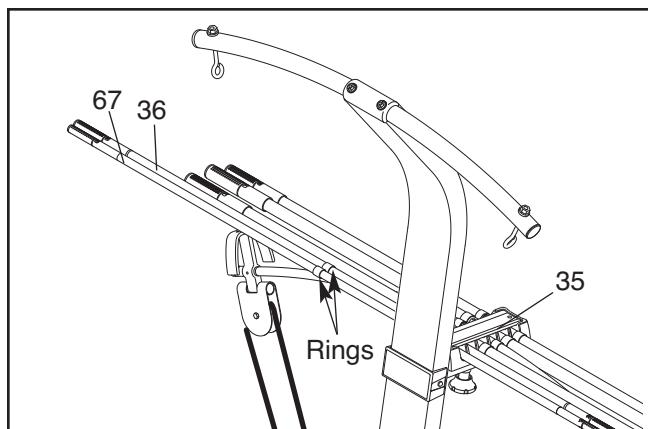


## USING THE REMOVABLE RESISTANCE BARS

The Removable Resistance Bars (36, 67) can be used to exercise apart from the resistance system, as shown in the video or on the exercise guide. To remove a Resistance Bar, pull it out of the Tray (35).

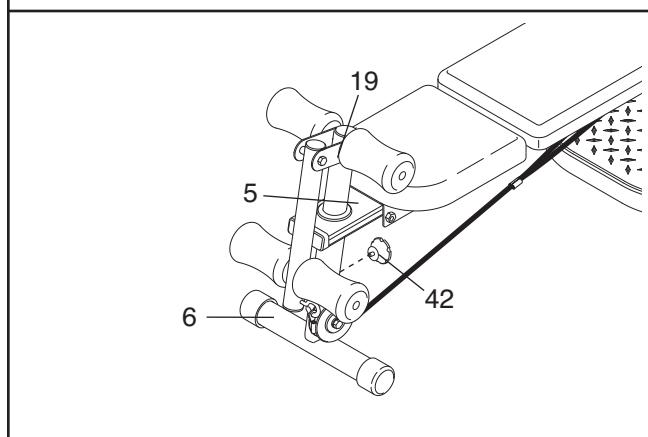
To replace the Removable Resistance Bars (36, 67), slide them into the Tray (35) from the side shown, so that the arrows on the rings point toward the Tray.

**Make sure the rings are pushed against the Tray.**



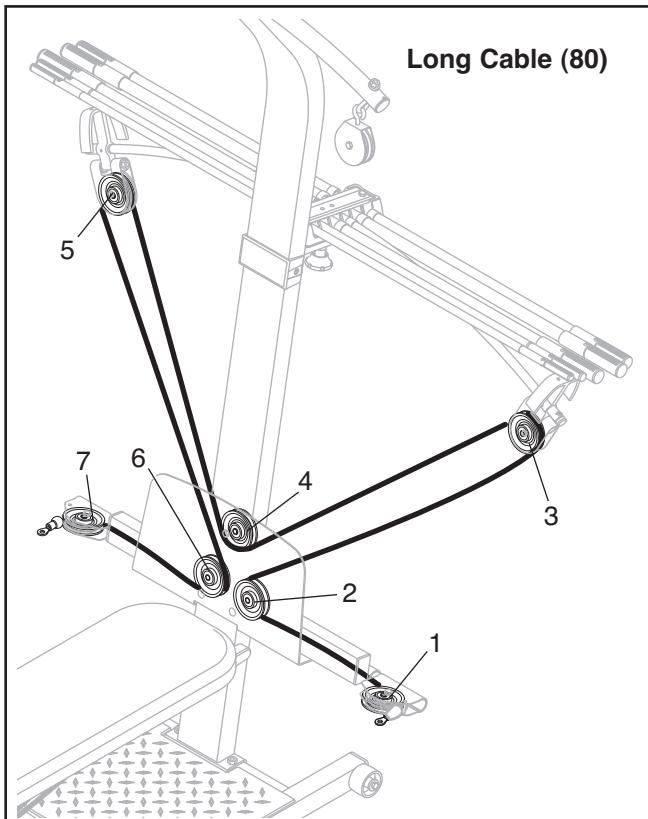
## ADJUSTING THE LEG DEVELOPER

To adjust the height of the Leg Developer (19), remove the Bench Knob (42) from the Front Leg (6). Align the hole in the Leg Developer with one of the holes in the Front Leg. Retighten the Knob into the Front Leg and Leg Developer.



## CABLE DIAGRAM

The cable diagram shows the proper routing of the Long Cable (80). Use the diagram to make sure that the cable has been assembled correctly. If the cable has not been correctly routed, the resistance system will not function properly and damage may occur. The numbers show the correct route for the cable.



# EXERCISE GUIDELINES

## THE FOUR BASIC TYPES OF WORKOUTS

### **Muscle Building**

To increase the size and strength of your muscles, push them close to their maximum capacity. Your muscles will continually adapt and grow as you progressively increase the intensity of your exercise. You can adjust the intensity level of an individual exercise in two ways:

- by changing the amount of resistance used
- by changing the number of repetitions or sets performed. (A "repetition" is one complete cycle of an exercise, such as one sit-up. A "set" is a series of repetitions.)

The proper amount of resistance for each exercise depends upon the individual user. You must gauge your limits and select the amount of resistance that is right for you. Begin with 3 sets of 8 repetitions for each exercise you perform. Rest for 3 minutes after each set. When you can complete 3 sets of 12 repetitions without difficulty, increase the amount of resistance.

### **Toning**

You can tone your muscles by pushing them to a moderate percentage of their capacity. Select a moderate amount of resistance and increase the number of repetitions in each set. Complete as many sets of 15 to 20 repetitions as possible without discomfort. Rest for 1 minute after each set. Work your muscles by completing more sets rather than by using high amounts of resistance.

### **Weight Loss**

To lose weight, use a low amount of resistance and increase the number of repetitions in each set.

Exercise for 20 to 30 minutes, resting for a maximum of 30 seconds between sets.

### **Cross Training**

Cross training is an efficient way to get a complete and well-balanced fitness program. An example of a balanced program is:

- Plan strength training workouts on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday.
- Plan 20 to 30 minutes of aerobic exercise, such as running on a treadmill or riding on an elliptical or exercise cycle, on Tuesday and Thursday.
- Rest from both strength training and aerobic exercise for at least one full day each week to give your body time to regenerate.

The combination of strength training and aerobic exercise will reshape and strengthen your body, plus develop your heart and lungs.

## PERSONALIZING YOUR EXERCISE PROGRAM

Determining the exact length of time for each workout, as well as the number of repetitions or sets completed, is an individual matter. It is important to avoid overdoing it during the first few months of your exercise program. You should progress at your own pace and be sensitive to your body's signals. If you experience pain or dizziness at any time while exercising, stop immediately and begin cooling down. Find out what is wrong before continuing. Remember that adequate rest and a proper diet are important factors in any exercise program.

### **WARMING UP**

Begin each workout with 5 to 10 minutes of stretching and light exercise to warm up. Warming up prepares your body for more strenuous exercise by increasing circulation, raising your body temperature and delivering more oxygen to your muscles.

### **WORKING OUT**

Each workout should include 6 to 10 different exercises. Select exercises for every major muscle group, emphasizing areas that you want to develop most. To give balance and variety to your workouts, vary the exercises from session to session.

Schedule your workouts for the time of day when your energy level is the highest. Each workout should be followed by at least one day of rest. Once you find the schedule that is right for you, stick with it.

### **EXERCISE FORM**

Maintaining proper form is an essential part of an effective exercise program. This requires moving through the full range of motion for each exercise, and moving only the appropriate parts of the body. Exercising in an uncontrolled manner will leave you feeling exhausted. On the exercise guide accompanying this manual you will find photographs showing the correct form for several exercises, and a list of the muscles affected. Refer to the muscle chart on page 18 to find the names of the muscles.

The repetitions in each set should be performed smoothly and without pausing. The exertion stage of each repetition should last about half as long as the return stage. Proper breathing is important. Exhale during the exertion stage of each repetition and inhale during the return stroke. Never hold your breath.

Rest for a short period of time after each set. The ideal resting periods are:

- Rest for three minutes after each set for a muscle building workout.
- Rest for one minute after each set for a toning workout.
- Rest for 30 seconds after each set for a weight loss workout.

Plan to spend the first couple of weeks familiarizing yourself with the equipment and learning the proper form for each exercise.

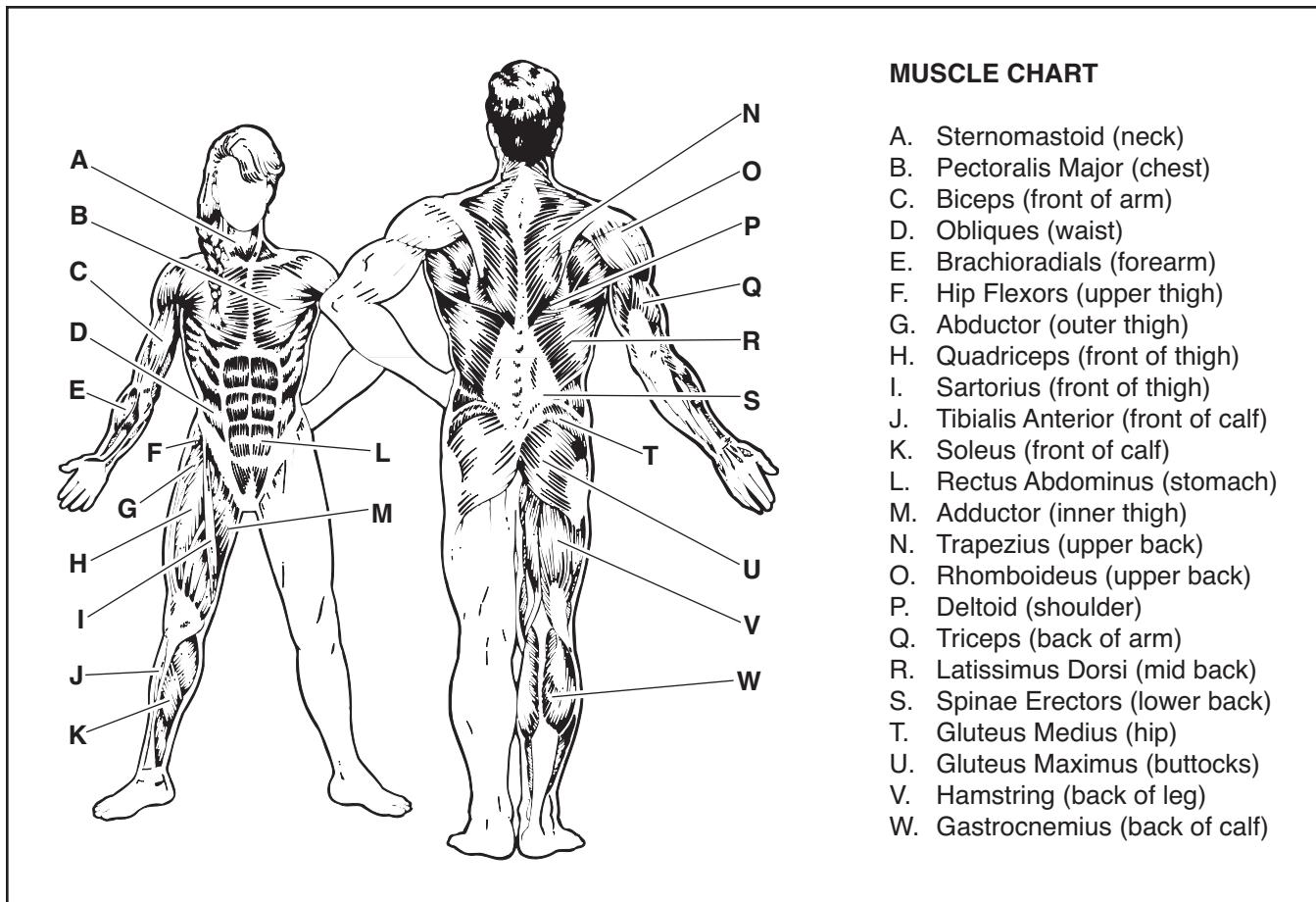
## COOLING DOWN

End each workout with 5 to 10 minutes of stretching. Include stretches for both your arms and legs. Move

slowly as you stretch and do not bounce. Ease into each stretch gradually and go only as far as you can without strain. Stretching at the end of each workout is an effective way to increase flexibility.

## STAYING MOTIVATED

For motivation, keep a record of each workout. The chart on page 19 of this manual can be photocopied and used to schedule and record your workouts. List the date, the exercises performed, the resistance used, and the numbers of sets and repetitions completed. Record your weight and key body measurements at the end of every month. Remember, the key to achieving the greatest results is to make exercise a regular and enjoyable part of your everyday life.



MONDAY	EXERCISE	RESISTANCE	SETS	REPS
Date:				
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**TUESDAY      AEROBIC EXERCISE**

Date:

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WEDNESDAY	EXERCISE	RESISTANCE	SETS	REPS
Date:				
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**THURSDAY      AEROBIC EXERCISE**

Date:

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FRIDAY	EXERCISE	RESISTANCE	SETS	REPS
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Make photocopies of this page for scheduling and recording your workouts.

# PART IDENTIFICATION CHART

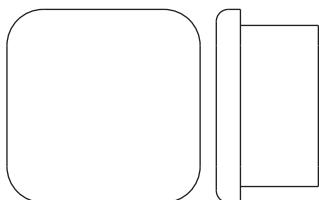
Refer to the drawings below to identify small parts used in assembly. The number in parentheses below each drawing is the key number of the part, from the PART LIST on the reverse side of this page. **Important: Some parts may have been pre-assembled for shipping purposes. If you cannot find a part in the parts bags, check to see if it has been pre-assembled.**



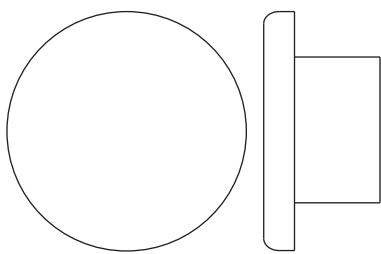
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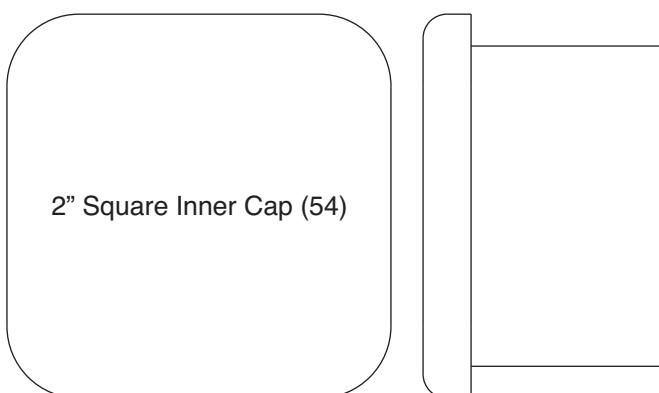
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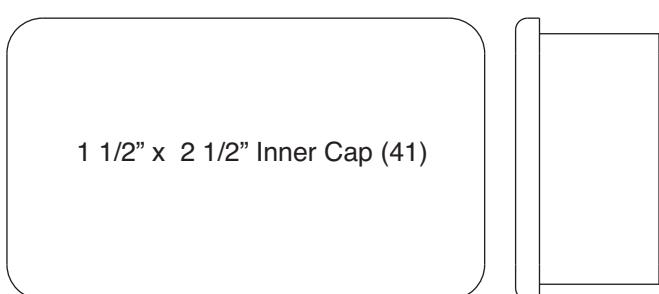
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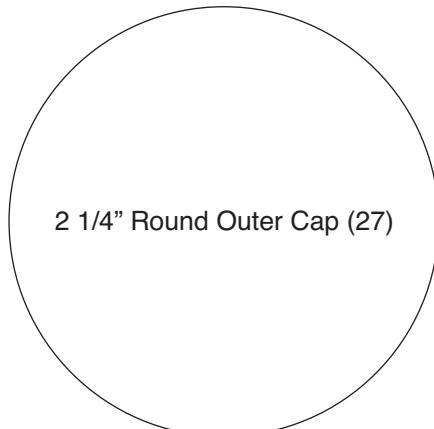
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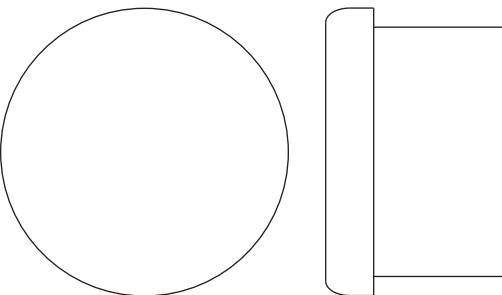
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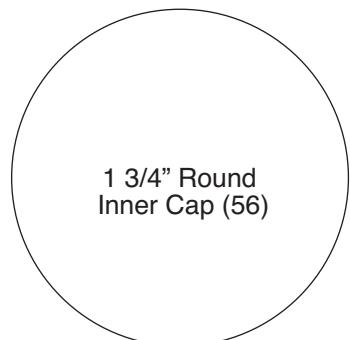
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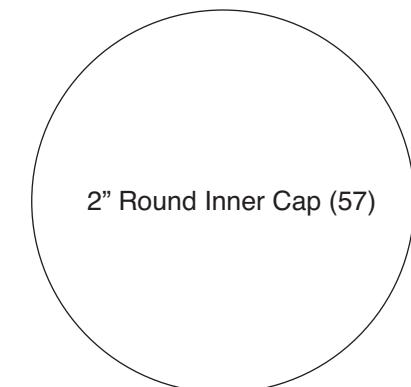
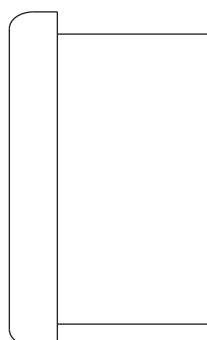
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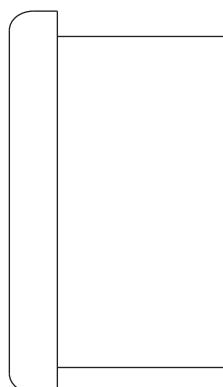
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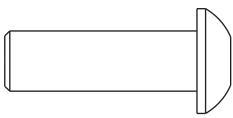


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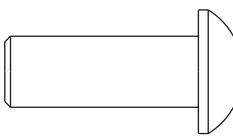


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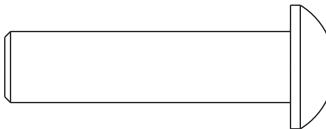




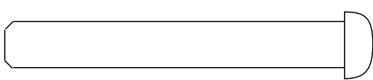
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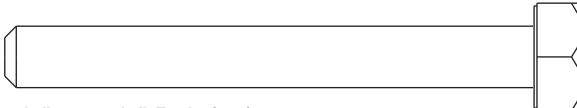
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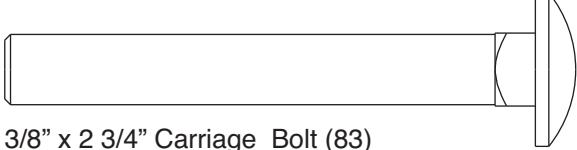
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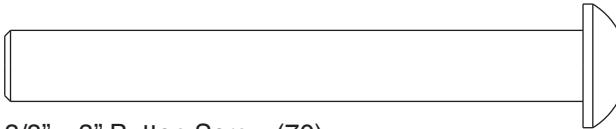
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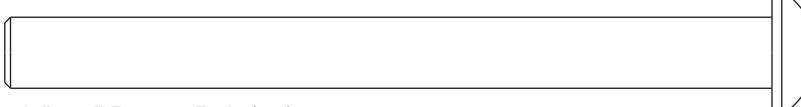
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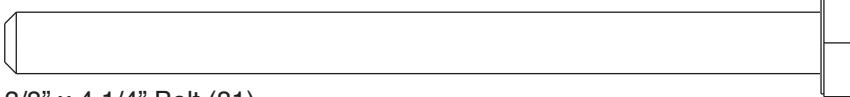
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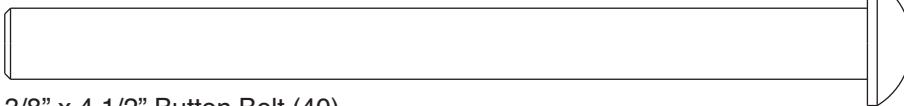
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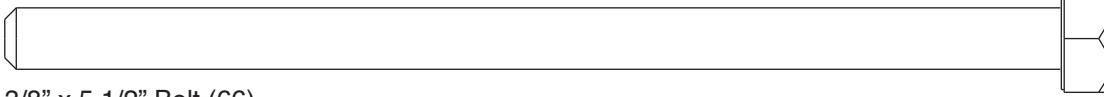
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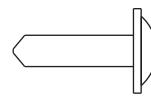
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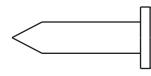
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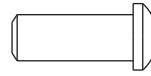
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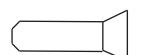
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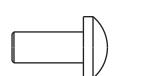
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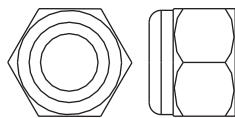
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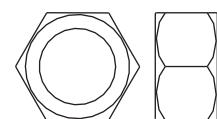
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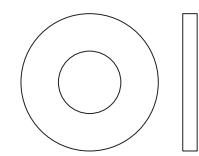
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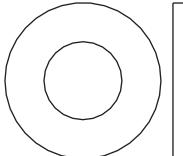
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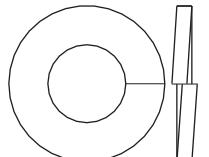
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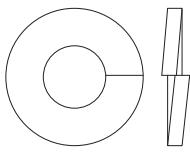
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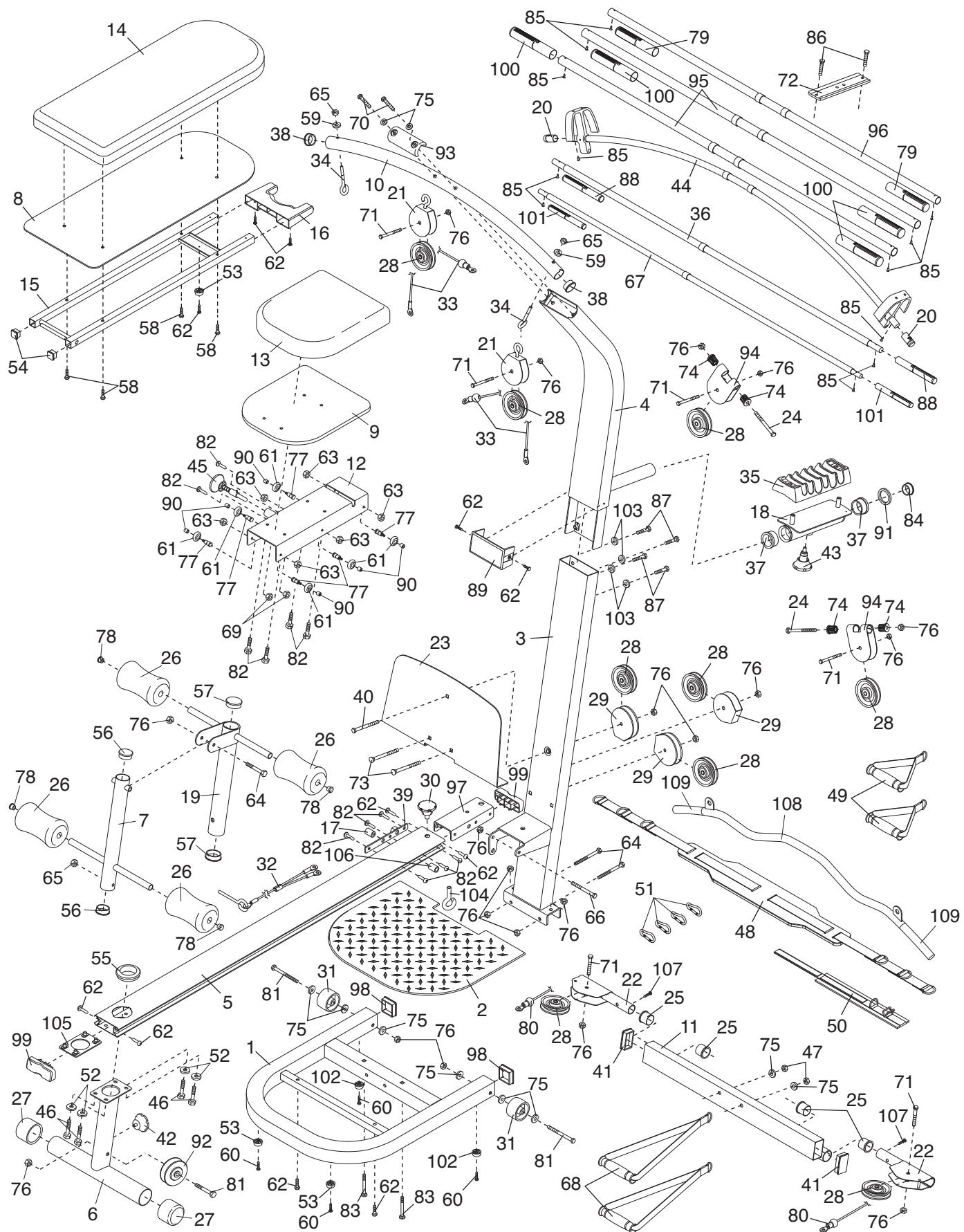
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1	1	Base	58	4	M6 x 45mm Screw
2	1	Base Plate	59	2	5/16" Washer
3	1	Upright	60	4	#8 x 3/4" Tec Screw
4	1	Lat Tower	61	6	Seat Wheel
5	1	Bench Rail	62	11	#8 x 3/4" Screw
6	1	Front Leg	63	6	M6 Zinc Nylon Locknut
7	1	Leg Lever	64	3	3/8" x 2 3/4" Bolt
8	1	Backrest Backing	65	3	5/16" Nylon Locknut
9	1	Seat Backing	66	1	3/8" x 5 1/2" Bolt
10	1	Top Frame	67	1	10-pound Removable Resistance Bar
11	1	Cross Tube	68	2	Long Handle
12	1	Seat Carriage	69	2	M6 Black Nylon Locknut
13	1	Seat	70	2	3/8" x 3" Button Screw
14	1	Backrest	71	6	3/8" x 1 1/2" Button Bolt
15	1	Backrest Frame	72	1	Cover Plate
16	1	Backrest Cap	73	2	3/8" x 5 1/2" Carriage Bolt
17	1	3/4" Spacer	74	4	Pivot Bushing
18	1	Fulcrum	75	10	3/8" Washer
19	1	Leg Developer	76	20	3/8" Nylon Locknut
20	2	10-pound Short Cap	77	6	M6 Shoulder Bolt
21	2	High Pulley Housing	78	4	1 1/4" Round Inner Cap
22	2	Swivel Arm	79	2	40-pound Cap
23	1	Foot Plate	80	1	Long Cable
24	2	3/8" x 4" Button Bolt	81	3	3/8" x 4 1/4" Bolt
25	4	Arm Bushing	82	12	M6 x 16mm Screw
26	4	Foam Pad	83	2	3/8" x 2 3/4" Carriage Bolt
27	2	2 1/4" Round Outer Cap	84	1	Fulcrum Endcap
28	9	90mm Pulley	85	12	M4 x 12mm Flat Head Screw
29	3	Pulley Guard	86	2	5/16" x 3/4" Button Screw
30	1	Storage Knob	87	4	3/8" x 1" Button Screw
31	2	Wheel	88	2	20-pound Cap
32	1	Leg Lever Cable	89	1	Name Plate
33	2	Short Cable	90	6	11mm Spacer
34	2	Eyebolt	91	1	Retainer Ring
35	1	Tray	92	1	"V"-pulley
36	1	20-pound Removable Resistance Bar	93	1	Top Frame Cover
37	2	Fulcrum Bushing	94	2	Pulley Housing
38	2	1 1/2" Round Inner Cap	95	2	80-pound Resistance Bar
39	1	Bench Rail Bracket	96	1	40-pound Resistance Bar
40	1	3/8" x 4 1/2" Button Bolt	97	1	Storage Knob Bracket
41	2	1 1/2" x 2 1/2" Inner Cap	98	2	2" Square Inner Cap
42	1	Bench Knob	99	2	Rail Inner Cap
43	1	Fulcrum Knob	100	4	80-pound Cap
44	1	10-pound Center Resistance Bar	101	2	10-pound Cap
45	1	Seat Knob	102	2	Large Plastic Foot
46	4	5/16" x 1" Button Screw	103	4	3/8" Split Washer
47	2	3/8" Nut	104	1	Hook
48	1	Leg Press Strap	105	1	Rail Bracket
49	2	Short Handle	106	1	7/8" Spacer
50	1	Ankle Strap	107	2	#8 x 3/8" Screw
51	4	Cable Clip	108	1	Lat Bar
52	4	5/16" Split Washer	109	2	Hand Grip
53	3	Plastic Foot	#	1	User's Manual
54	2	1" Square Inner Cap	#	1	Exercise Guide
55	1	45mm Round Inner Bushing	#	1	Exercise Decal
56	2	1 3/4" Round Inner Cap	#	1	Large Allen Wrench
57	2	2" Round Inner Cap	#	1	Small Allen Wrench

Note: "#" indicates a non-illustrated part. Specifications are subject to change without notice. See the back cover of the user's manual for information about ordering replacement parts.

# **EXPLODED DRAWING—Model No. 15396.2**

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# ORDERING REPLACEMENT PARTS

To order replacement parts, see the front cover of this manual. To help us assist you, please be prepared to give the following information:

- the MODEL NUMBER of the product (15396.2)
- the NAME of the product (MAX by WEIDER ADVANTAGE resistance system)
- the SERIAL NUMBER of the product (see the front cover of this manual)
- the KEY NUMBER and DESCRIPTION of the part(s) (see the PART LIST and EXPLODED DRAWING in the center of this manual)

## LIMITED WARRANTY

ICON Health & Fitness, Inc. (ICON), warrants this product to be free from defects in workmanship and material, under normal use and service conditions. ICON warrants the resistance bars for the lifetime of the product, and all other parts for five (5) years from the date of purchase. Labor is covered for one (1) year. This warranty extends only to the original purchaser. ICON's obligation under this warranty is limited to replacing or repairing, at ICON's option, the product through one of its authorized service centers. All repairs for which warranty claims are made must be pre-authorized by ICON. If the product is shipped to a service center, freight charges to and from the service center will be the customer's responsibility. For in-home service, the customer will be responsible for a minimal trip charge. This warranty does not extend to any product or damage to a product caused by or attributable to freight damage, abuse, misuse, improper or abnormal usage or repairs not provided by an ICON authorized service center; products used for commercial or rental purposes; or products used as store display models. No other warranty beyond that specifically set forth above is authorized by ICON.

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The warranty extended hereunder is in lieu of any and all other warranties and any implied warranties of merchantability or fitness for a particular purpose is limited in its scope and duration to the terms set forth herein. Some states do not allow limitations on how long an implied warranty lasts. Accordingly, the above limitation may not apply to you.

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